

# MOOSE NEWS

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Brothers and Sisters

As my year as your president comes to an end, I want to extend my appreciation and thank you for believing in me to be your president. I thank each of you for your support to me during this year. The year was full of fundraising, socializing events and welcoming many new members. I am thankful to all the committee chairpersons for all their dedication and hard work for a successful year. Our year began with the need for air conditioners for social quarters and game room. Bids were secured and A/Cs were promptly installed. Next biggest step was securing a \$25 thousand dollar grant from Moose International that enabled our lodge's outside of the building to be painted, and our signs updated for only a few dollars from our funds. The grant has been available for the past two years, but deadlines were missed to secure these grant funds. Determination to ensure we met the deadline and guidelines was first and foremost on my agenda to ensure our lodge received this money. The trees were trimmed to open our lodge to our community, aid in clearer vision for security cameras and to remove the branches from damaging our roof. Our flagpole was adorned with new flags, including adding the State of Florida flag. Improvements to the landscaping along the north-door entrance created a more inviting appearance. Let's not forget the creation of additional ADA parking spaces for our members and lodge hall guests. Members volunteered to perform successful clean-up days in social quarters, pump room, shed, kitchen, sidewalks and carport. We hosted a very successful and well attended 78th anniversary member recognition event. Carpets were cleaned, foyers cleaned up, dangling wires were hidden in foyer and social quarters, license plates from visitors are now proudly displayed, and the kids' room which became storage of discarded items for the past few years was cleaned up. A marketing tent was secured and has been used numerous times. We hosted a successful car show benefiting Tallahassee Honor Flight followed by another successful Moose Riders Chili Cookoff benefiting Big Bend Hospice. Two doors and carpet replaced in the gaming/pool table room and former kids' room. The next big project was the deep cleaning of our kitchen in preparation of installation of our new fryers, grill and oven. Our lodge surpassed collection/donation to the Rocker fund. We hosted the Regional Pool Tournament to end the month of March. April will end with the Children's Easter egg Hunt and party and participation in the annual PB&J collection. Hopefully we can surpass last year's collection of more than a ton of peanut butter and jelly. Many volunteers continued to prepare and serve us delicious meals, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Brian added a bar menu offering lite meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Our membership has grown by several hundred, our financial condition is strong and stable, including the beginning of a line item for a building fund to assist the lodge with any large future building expenses, such as updating/upgrading our parking lot. Our heart of the community has been rated superior for three quarters and unless something unforeseen happens within the next thirty days, we should make superior rating in our Heart of the Community donations all four quarters. Summing up all these accomplishments, I feel I have served each of you and the lodge honorably. I hope you too are happy with the progress our lodge has made during my tenure. This year some members suggested I was too inquisitive about events, everyday operations and financials, which caused some members to be uneasy. But how else does one who was entrusted with this position ensure the lodge and members' best interest are placed in the forefront. Again, I thank the board of officers, committee chairs, Jerry and members for your support this past year. With these words I bid you all goodbye for my year as your President.

Fraternally and forever humble and grateful for the opportunity to serve grateful  
Madam President Nancy

## GOOD-BYE

During this year our circle was broken by the passing of several members. We were privileged to have known each of them. They will always be missed by many. Losing a loved one always leaves a void but they are forever in our hearts and memories. Be on the lookout for that cardinal or butterfly. It may be our loved one just checking in.

Many approached me with disappointment hearing I was not running for office once again. I am humbled by your words. It was an extremely difficult decision. Gary and I have some travelling to do to Montana and Pennsylvania to see children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. This isn't good-bye because I will see you around the lodge. Each one of you created a very memorable year for me. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your support throughout my tenure of your President. I hope you feel I served each of you to your satisfaction. I wish the incoming 26-27 board of officers the best of luck during their year. May's newsletter will be forthcoming from your newly elected President Larry Durrence.

Thank you

Fraternally yours

Nancy, Madam President



## A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR:



**Happy April to all.**

I want to start by saying thank you to our 2025 – 2026 Board of Officers for their dedication and support during this past Moose Year which ends on April 30. We had our ups and downs, but we made it through. I want to thank the great committee chairmen we had as well, you have made a difference in our lodge. I also want to thank each and every member who helped our lodge grow and be prosperous. Many of you have stepped up when needed to help clean, cook, serve or other small chores around the lodge.

Those staying on the board for the 2026 – 2027 Moose Year will be Administrator Jerry Monk, Nancy Gebhart will be our Jr. Past President, Trustees Pam Cobb and Genny Mackland.

Election of our new officers will take place on April 7 th starting at 5 pm until the opening of the lodge meeting at 7 pm. Make sure your dues are paid so you can come and vote for the candidate of your choice. We have three uncontested offices. For President Larry Durrance for Treasurer Keith Ruprt and for Chaplain Joanne Lafferty. Running for Vice President are Krisy Smith and Herbie Trice and Trustee Ed Larue and David Bradburry. Good luck to you.

You will seeing some new chairmen and appointed officers, so welcome them all wit open arms and if asked by them to help, consider it an honor to do so.

Barring anything unexpected the Lodge should earn the Premier Lodge Award again this year. Please check the expiration date on your card. If you expire on March 31, 2006 please pay your dues, this will help ensure we will make it.

Remember to be kind to your brothers and sisters in the Moose, after all we are family. We may not always see eye to eye on everything but always keep your eye on the big picture and help us prosper and grow.

Keep watching our Facebook Page Lodge 1075, Chapter 1103 for updates and events. You can also check out our website at [www.tallahasseemoose.org](http://www.tallahasseemoose.org).

As always, thanks to all who take time to volunteer at our lodge, no matter what you do, you are very much appreciated. You are what makes our lodge the best it is.

See you around the lodge.

Fraternally, Jerry

## ELECTIONS

**TUESDAY APRIL 7th voting begins at 5pm and ends at 7pm  
Be sure your dues are current!**

BALLOT is as follows:

President: Larry Durrence, unopposed

Vice President: Kristy Smith

Herbie Trice

Treasurer: Keith Rupert, unopposed

Chaplin: Jo Lafferty, unopposed

Three Year Trustee: Ralph "Ed" Larue

David Bradbury

**Early voting opens from 5pm-7pm on April 7th.** It is our goal to enable members to vote without standing in a long line. Once the meeting opens at 7 pm we will ask if everyone present has been able to vote.

Installation of our new officers and committee chairs will be installed at the General Membership meeting April 21st at 7pm

New committee chairpersons will be introduced in next month's newsletter by the incoming President Larry Durrence

With almost 1000 members it is a shame more people didn't step up to avoid so many unopposed positions. Please get involved and be thinking about running for an office next year. Many of you are so worth being an officer. I look forward to seeing your name on the ballot next year.



## WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO OUR LODGE

If you happen to meet one of our newest members in the lodge, take a moment and thank them for choosing our lodge. We are honored you chose to join our lodge and look forward to many years ahead. If you are looking to volunteer, join one of the committees, join the Moose Riders, participate in a pool team, or have a suggestion for an activity, contact a board officer, your sponsor, or Jerry. Ladies, you are now eligible to join the Women of the Moose. Gentlemen, you are now encouraged to become a Legion member. There are many ways of getting more involved and making a difference in your lodge and our community. We welcome each one of these new members and hope your membership lasts a lifetime.

Ashley Belmont-Warren	Bridgette Utermohle	Effie Randolph-Boone		
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Annesia Wilson	James Wilson	Jerri Pate	Keith Edwards	Tori Rayfield
Kenneth Bullock	Lucille McKinnie	Patricia Clark	Sharline Craven	
Sharon Crawley	Tina McKinnie	Vicenta Westberry	Watne Crawley	
Amanda Nevin	Brandon Keefer	Carol Fondren	Charles Peters	
Colleen Holec	Debra Van Gaasbeek	Eddie Gines	Elaine Street	
Harold Reger	Heather Howell	Janet Compton	Janice Tucker	
Jeffrey Bryan	John Compton	John Heyn	Joshua Garcia	
Roy Robinson	Samantha Heyn	Sharon Williams	Nuvia Reyes	

**WELCOME once again. Please be sure to attend an orientation to learn more about the Moose Mission. Orientations are held the last Saturday of the month at 6 pm in the lodge hall. Bring along your sponsor.**

As of March 17th, business meeting, Jackie Jones, Membership/Retention Chairperson, announced we had 84 sponsors. Great job members! Jackie set a goal for our lodge to reach 1000 members We are almost there: less than 20 new members. Jackie and her committee have worked extremely building our membership, holding monthly orientations, along with fun events for the lodge. You have just a short window to sign up a new member to help Jackie reach her goal. Thank you again Jackie for your awesome job!

# FROM HEART OF THE COMMUNITY:

**A case of Tommy Moose and a \$1000 check were delivered today to The Havana Volunteer Fire Department.**

**Glenn**

On March 4th Josie Fliger, CEO of Elder Care, came to the Lodge and spoke to us about Elder Care. She accepted all the donations of items brought in by our Lodge and Bingo members and a \$1000.00 check.



A check was also delivered to the Veteran's Village in keeping with our continued support of our Veteran's.







Do you have toddlers to the age of 11 years old children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbors? Bring them out on Saturday April 4th from 11-1 for a party in the lodge hall. We will have an Easter Egg hunt outside (inside if inclement weather) games, crafts, door prizes, light lunch of hot dogs, chips and of course the Easter Bunny will be there for pictures. Thank you for your donations to help make this event memorable for the children.

## HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

Roll out the red carpet! Third quarter rating has been announced: "SUPERIOR" rating. Thank you all for helping to achieve this rating. One more quarter to go. Hopefully we can achieve the last quarter with Superior ratings. We are Moose Proud!

Glenn Mingleorff served as Heart of the Community Chairperson during this Moose year 25-26. He has delivered many dozens of Tommy Moose to local Fire and Law enforcement departments and EMS Departments. When visiting these locations, he typically carried along a check for presentation. Glenn spearheaded food, clothing, pet food, toiletries, toys, peanut butter and jelly successful collection campaigns. Glenn has personally delivered items along with monetary donations to many organizations throughout this year. Thank you Glenn for your "superior" rating in my book Thank you board of officers for your approval of the heart of community donations and thank you Jerry for timely inputting of the information.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE WOMEN OF THE MOOSE:

Happy Spring and Easter to all! Didn't think we would make it through the winter this year, but we have Spring buds and leaves showing.

We are still doing well on our Friday night dinners. Thank you to the committee members who volunteer their time and efforts to support our Chapter. The dinners for April will be Mississippi pot roast by our Fraternal Activities committee and fried chicken by our Women's Pool Team.

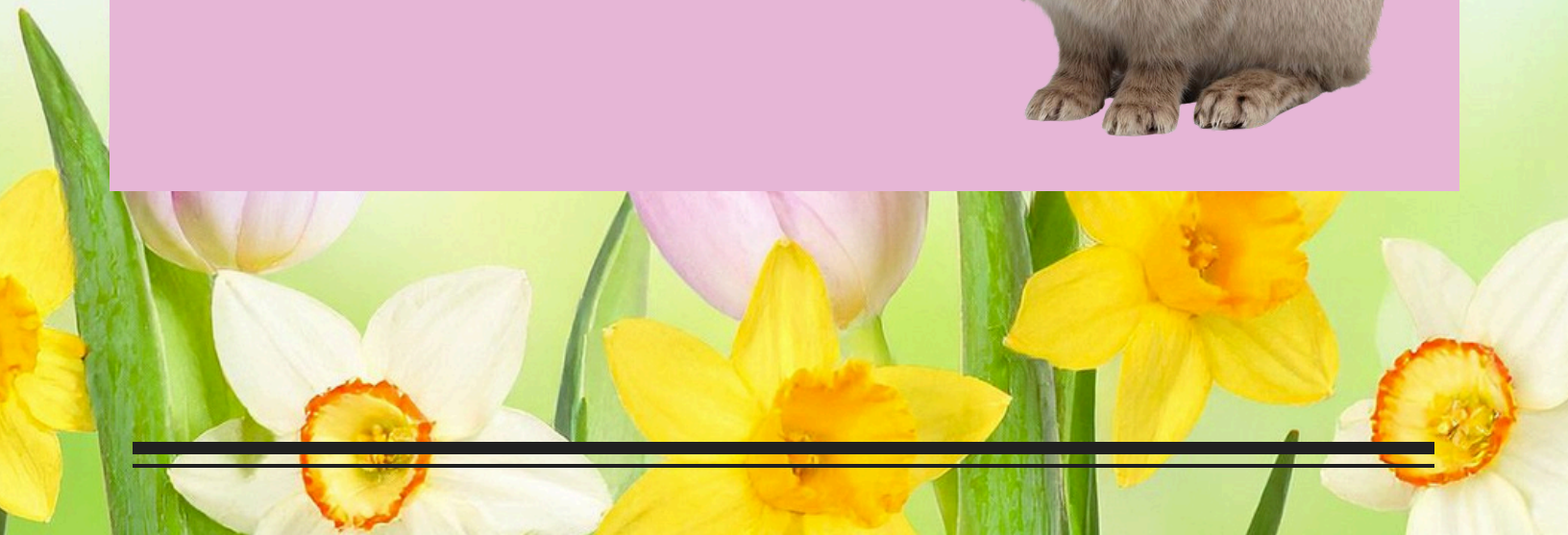
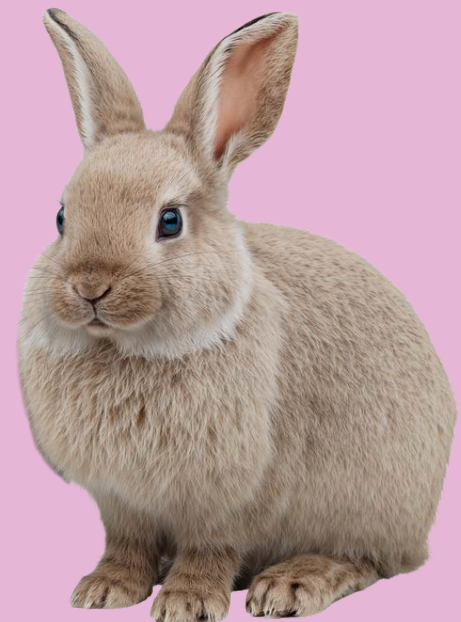
We held our Chapter elections on March 10th. The Board of Officers next year will be Jackie Jones as Senior Regent, Genny Mackland as Secretary and Kristy Smith will serve her third year as Treasurer. Catherine Mingledorff will hold the office of Junior Past Regent as an office of condition. Congratulations to all.

On March 21st we will have our High Tea. We are hoping that it will be a big success. We will serve a variety of teas, sandwiches, dainty desserts, fruits and nuts donated by our members. Some of our men Moose members will serve us during the Tea. We will have games and prizes for all ages. We will fill you in on how it went in next month's newsletter.

On March 24th, Ceola Grant, Director of the Tallahassee Senior Center, will join us, along with any other members who would like to hear her presentation.

Hope you all have a Blessed Easter.

Fraternally,  
Catherine Mingledorff  
Senior Regent



# Moose Riders:

## MOOSE RIDERS FIRST FRIDAY DINNER

APRIL 3, 2026 @ 6:30PM

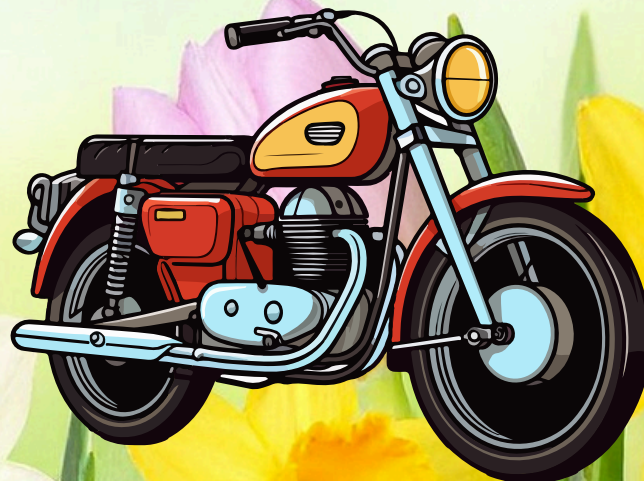


We're Serving  
Fried Catfish Filets,  
Cheese Grits,  
Coleslaw, Hushpuppies,  
and Pineapple Sunshine Cake

ALL FOR ONLY \$13 PER PLATE

**Tallahassee Moose Lodge #1075**

Moose Members & Qualified Guests - Not a Member? Ask Us How To Join!



## Message from the Pool Teams:



# STUFFED PORK CHOPS

by Men's Pool Teams



**FRIDAY  
APRIL 24**

Mashed Taters, Gravy  
Green Beans,  
Roll and Dessert

**\$13**

**Saturday, April 25**

9-Ball Double Elimination

Start 7:00pm

Entry \$10



Tallahassee Moose 1075

# 9-BALL TOURNAMENT

Open to Men & Women Members from all Lodges

# A MESSAGE FROM THE LEGION:

## Tallahassee Moose Legion 1075 **Catfish Dinner**

Wednesday, April 29 at 6:30pm \$13



Served with Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Hushpuppies & Dessert

Moose Members and Qualified Guests

### Lodge 1075 Pb & Jelly Drive!

April 1 -  
April 30



Donate Plastic Bottles of  
**Peanut Butter & Jelly**

Drop off in Lodge or Bingo **CELEBRATING 10 YEARS** BEAT LAST YEAR'S TOTAL!  
Collecting with WCTV Pbj Plz, Second Harvest, and Leon Co. Schools

### MOOSE LEGION ACTIVITIES

- April 14: meeting 5:00 pm
- April 29: Chain Saw Raffle—Tickets 6 for \$5, arm (20 minimum) for \$10, wingspan (50 minimum) for \$20; see Wade or Herbie

There will be no breakfast in April



Next celebration:  
April 17 — 19  
Marianna

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR LODGE MEMBERS CELEBRATING THIS MONTH**

April 2026						April 2026
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Ty Chaney Deborah Hurley Deborah Hurley Cordell Nixon Sam Martin	2 Bernard Ross Clinton Ingram Harry Keeton L C Hudson Harvey Sweeney Herbie Trice	3 April Edwards Dave Bennage Reginald Roddenberry	4 Mary Allen James Forbes
5 Ronald Bell Richard Stone Steve Moore Patricia Sparkman	6 Genny Mackland Eric Hood	7 Candance Gautney	8 John Bailey	9 Wayne Bryan Dottie Watson Donald Kukkonen	10 Shawn Couch	11
12	13 Mike Denmark	14 Ricky Newman Chad Phillips Richard Rose	15 Chris Johnson	16 Shirley Stauffer Eddie Wasdin	17 Ronda Bryan	18 Kim Piderman Bridgette Hallum Shelley Baggerly
19 Barbara Trombino Katherine Lyda Tracy McCord	20 Robin Jenkins Leon Samuels	21 Joseph Kowalski Wilson Clark Jacqueline Price Keith Elkins	22 Keith Elkins Suzanne VanWyk	23 Denise Colangelo Todd Raines Agatha Carter	24 Dianah Cox Pat Shimansky	25 Celeste Tucker Brandi Hallum Lisa Youman
26 Robery Gray Tasha Mathis	27 Wesley Maples	28 Rosemary Clanton Becky Shaner Thomas Powel	29 Wayne Deweil Russell Eddy Kellie Leggett	30 Vernell Strumski Stephen Warren Beverly Vichich		



## DISTRICT MEETING NEWS

The March district meeting was held at Quincy lodge.

· Roy Suarez, Florida Moose Association District 1 President encouraged all members support our Chapter. The Chapter is instrumental supporting each lodge. Ladies, if you have not yet joined the Chapter, do so at your earliest convenience. Annual dues are an additional \$15.00 to your lodge dues. See Catherine Mingledorff, current Senior Regent, or Kristy Smith, Treasurer.

· Higher Degree Raffle: would you like to win five \$100. Lottery tickets? See Larry Durrance, your President, or Nancy Gebhart, Junior Past

President to purchase your raffle ticket. One ticket for \$5.00. Three tickets for \$10.00. Drawing will be held at the May District meeting at Ft. Walton Beach Lodge. What is the Higher Degree? If you are a Legion Member, Academy of Friendship, Star Recorder or College of Regent you are encouraged to join the Higher Degree of the FMA. Dues are \$10.00 for a calendar year. Dues can be paid at a district meeting. What does the FMA Higher Degree do with funds raised? One good deed is assisting Moose lodge or chapter members who fall on hard times and cannot afford their dues, FMA Higher degree assist persons

· Midyear Conference will be held April 9-12 at the Rosen Plaza, Orlando. You can still register at the event if you would like to attend; online registration has closed.

· Next district meeting is at the Marianna Lodge and will be Legion celebration weekend.

## THIRD QUARTER DONATIONS

Our donations to the Heart of the Community once again met the required amounts as set forth by Moose International. Thank you for helping the lodge reach this goal. The third quarter donation list:

- Mooseheart/Mooseheart Endowment \$1,625.
- Mooseheart/Mooseheart Cradle Fund \$73.00
- Mooseheart/Mooseheart Classroom Supplies \$500.00
- Moose Charities Youth Awareness \$100.00
- Tallahassee Veterans Village \$5,500.00
- Wreaths Across America \$5,000.00
- Tallahassee Honor Flight \$5,000.00
- Tallahassee Blessing Cup \$2,500.00
- St. Judes Children Hospital \$150.00
- Tallahassee Senior Center \$250.00
- Leon County Dare \$500.00
- Mooseheart Athletics \$500.00
- Tallahassee Salvation Army \$1500.
- North Florida Wildlife Foundation \$500.00
- Forgotten Coast K-9 \$500.00
- Christmas Connection \$1000.00
- Toys for Tots \$2500.00
- Brehon Family Services \$2000.00
- Big Bend Second Harvest \$760.00
- Big Bend Hospice \$250.00
- VFW \$4000.00 value of our old kitchen equipment, dishes, glasses
- FSU High School JV Softball \$350.00

GRAND TOTAL: \$35,058.00

1st quarter: \$23,92.80 2nd quarter: \$31,749.00



Have you volunteered around the lodge or the community representing the lodge? Be sure to log those hours in your membership record. Unsure whether the hours should be logged, ask Jerry. Unsure where to find the section to record volunteer data? Log into your membership record, then choose "volunteer time" at the top, the "add volunteer hours" fill in the required sections and be sure to SAVE when completed. Your volunteer hours are credited to our Heart of Community quarterly requirements. Thank you for being a volunteer. April 15 is the last day to input your volunteer hours for the fourth quarter. If you would like to volunteer around the lodge, step right up ask Jerry or a board member what you can do.

## PB&J PLZ

**THE TIME HAS FINALLY ARRIVED! Bring in that peanut butter and jelly now and throughout the month of April This the tenth year for the annual PB&J PLZ collection. Last April we collected 1,075 pounds. Can we surpass this amount? We sure can! Please remember items must be in plastic containers only. Tell your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers and bring it in.**

## Chaplain:

Our heavenly Father, keep us diligent and mindful of our commitments to You , our children, our senior members, our families and our communities. We humbly ask for your guidance in our thoughts, words and deeds, that we may successfully work in harmony for the realization of our endeavors. These things we ask in your name. Amen

Please pray for those who passed this year.

Wade Bennett. Chaplain

# Monthly Calendar:

April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:30 Wings & Things 7:00 Pool Tournament 7:30 Karaoke	2 7:00 Texas Hold-Em Poker	3 5:30, 7:00 Bingo 6:30 Catfish dinner by Moose Riders 7:30 Silverado	4 11:00 Easter Party 6:30 Burgers and Dogs 7:30 Karaoke
5 3:30, 5:30 Bingo	6  Social Quarters Closed	7 5:00 - 7:00 Election of Lodge Officers 5:30 Bar Bingo 5:30 Bar Menu 7:00 Business/member Meeting	8 6:00 Moose Riders meeting 6:30 Pork Chops 7:30 Karaoke	9 7:00 Texas Hold-Em Poker	10 5:30, 7:00 Bingo 6:30 Mississippi Pot Roast dinner by WOTM 7:30 Unknown Source  FMA Conference- Orlando	11 5:00 Bar Bingo 6:30 Burgers and Dogs 7:30 Karaoke FMA Conference- Orlando
12 3:30, 5:30 Bingo FMA Conference- Orlando	13  Social Quarters Closed	14 5:00 Moose Legion Meeting 5:30 Bar Bingo 5:30 Bar Menu 6:00 Lodge Officers meeting 6:30 WOTM meeting	15 6:30 Chicken Alfredo 7:30 Karaoke	16 5:30 Bar Menu 6:00 LCR Game 7:00 Texas Hold-Em Poker	17 5:30, 7:00 Bingo 6:30 Fried Chicken dinner by WOTM 7:30 Highway 59	18 5:00 Bar Bingo 6:30 Burgers and Dogs 7:30 Karaoke Moose Legion Celebration - Marianna
19 3:30, 5:30 Bingo Moose Legion Celebration - Marianna	20  Social Quarters Closed	21 5:30 Bar Bingo 5:30 Bar Menu 7:00 Business/member Meeting	22 6:30 Chicken Enchiladas Verde 7:30 Karaoke	23 7:00 Texas Hold-Em Poker	24 5:30, 7:00 Bingo 6:30 Stuffed Pork Chop dinner by Men's Pool Teams 7:30 Hot Rod Chevys	25 5:00 Bar Bingo 6:00 New member orientation 6:30 Burgers and Dogs 7:00 9-Ball Tournament 7:30 Karaoke
26 3:30, 5:30 Bingo	27  Social Quarters Closed	28 5:30 Bar Bingo 5:30 Bar Menu 6:00 Lodge Officers meeting 6:30 WOTM meeting	29 6:30 Catfish by the Moose Legion 7:30 Karaoke	30 7:00 Texas Hold-Em Poker		

Social Quarters opens at 1:00 on Sundays, 3:00 on Tuesday through Saturday

**Bingo:**

## Officers Contact Info:

- Administrator: Jerry Monk 850-510-6870
- President: Nancy Gebhart 850-510-3152
- Vice President: Larry Durrance 850728-9771
- Junior Past President: Casey Hightower 850-445-7865
- Treasurer: Pat Browder 850-545-4545
- Chaplain: Wade Bennett 850-570-5547
- Trustee 1 year: Sid Lingerfelt 850-210-9543
- Trustee 2 year: Pam Cobb 850-545-7612
- Trustee 3 year: Genny Mackland 561-329-1613
- Sgt. At Arms: Keith Ruppert 386-243-1882
- Inner Guard: Ed LaRue 405-308-9707
- Outer Guard: Jackie Jones 850-545-3662

### WOTM officers

- Senior Regent - Catherine Mingledorff - 850-320-0220
- Treasurer - Kristy Smith - 352-223-7586
- Secretary - Alyson Harrison - 850-698-0007
- Jr. Past Regent, pro tem - 850-570-5546

